

# Student Ambassadors: Health & Wellness on Campus



## Introduction

The Student Ambassador Program was initiated in 2015 in an effort to promote a safe, supportive and welcoming environment for the students at Selkirk College. This student-led organization was introduced by the Healthy Campus Initiative.

## Student Ambassador Program

Ambassadors offer peer support, promote health and wellness, connect students with resources on campus and keep a compassionate eye on the student body.

- Commit a minimum of 4hrs/week
- Spend time in the Student Ambassador office and promoting health on campus in a creative way
- Opportunity to gain co-curricular credits.

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## **Objective**

To foster health and wellness on campus through empowering students to take on a leadership role as Student Ambassador.

Goal: Complete training of ambassadors by mid November.

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## **Actions & Methods**

- Literature review of health and wellness on campus and peer support programs.
- Develop a "Student Ambassador Manual" and "Resource Manual" to guide ambassadors.
- Recruit Student Ambassadors through in class presentations, posters, booths.
- Develop and provide a training session for Student Ambassadors

#### **Sustainability**

- Train the trainer model
- Student Ambassador and Resource manuals available
- o Support from Healthy Campus Advisor
- Increased awareness of this program on campus